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DECLARATION OF BETH VRIONI

I, Beth Vrioni, declare and state that:

- I became responsible for the prosecution of the above-identified application in 2003; 1.
- I have first-hand knowledge of the delay from the time of filing the required reply from 2. the due date of the Office Action dated June 5, 2006 to the filing of the Petition for Revival on December 13, 2006; and
- The entire delay from the period that the reply was due to the filing of the Petition for 3. Revival on December 13, 2006 was unintentional.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or the imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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